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REQUEST FOR 3-MONTH EXTENSION

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

To the Commissioner

Applicant hereby requests a 3-month extension in which to reply to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2003. A Response is transmitted herewith, and this paper is therefore timely. An authorization to charge my credit card for the (large Entity)

Extension fee of \$930 is enclosed. Please charge any deficiency only to our PTO Deposit Account 09026.

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